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Takashi YODA et al.) Group Art Unit: 2814
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Application No.: 10/663,799) Examiner: Cao, Phat X.
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For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE)
WITH POROUS LAYER AND)
CONDUCTIVE BARRIER LAYER)
(AS AMENDED))

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(d), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO/SB/08 form. Applicants file this Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) after issuance of a Final Office Action, and therefore enclose a fee of \$180 as specified under § 1.17(p), and a certification as specified under § 1.97(e)(1). This IDS supplements the IDS filed on September 17, 2003.

The foreign patent listed in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in a Notification of Reasons for Rejection mailed by the Japanese Patent Office on May 31, 2005 in counterpart Japanese Application No. 2003-165147, and this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the mailing date of that communication.

Copies of the listed documents are enclosed. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate their consideration by making appropriate notation on the attached PTO/SB/08 form.

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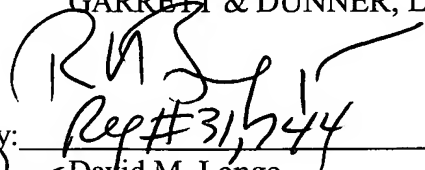
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